Public Law 101-218
101st Congress

An Act

To provide Federal assistance and leadership to a program of research, development, and demonstration of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That this Act may be referred to as the "Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Technology Competitiveness Act of 1989".

SEC. **2. FINDING, PURPOSE, AND GENERAL AUTHORITY.**

(1) FINDING.—The Congress finds that it is in the national security and economic interest of the United States to foster greater efficiency in the use of available energy supplies and greater use of renewable energy technologies.

(2) PURPOSE.—It is the purpose of this Act to authorize the Secretary of Energy, acting in accordance with authority contained in the Federal Nonnuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5901-5920) and other law applicable to the Secretary, to pursue an aggressive national program of research, development, and demonstration of renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies in order to ensure a stable and secure future energy supply by-

(1) achieving as soon as practicable cost competitive use of those technologies without need of Federal financial incentives;

(2) establishing long-term Federal research goals and multiyear funding levels;

(3) directing the Secretary to undertake initiatives to improve the ability of the private sector to commercialize in the near term renewable energy and energy efficiency technologies; and

(4) fostering collaborative research and development efforts involving the private sector through government support of a program of joint ventures.

(c) GENERAL AUTHORITY.—The Secretary, acting in accordance with the authority contained in the Federal Nonnuclear Energy Research and Development Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C. 5901-5920) and other law applicable to the Secretary—

(1) is authorized and directed to—

(5) pursue a program of research, development, and demonstration, including the use of joint ventures with the private sector, to achieve the purpose of this Act, including the goals established under section 4; and

(6) undertake joint ventures as provided in section 6; and

(2) is authorized to undertake, from time to time, joint ventures in technology areas other than those set forth in section 6(c), subject to the conditions set forth in section 6(b).

SEC. 3. DEFINITIONS.

As used in this Act—

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Business and industry.
Conservation.
Corporations.
42 USC 12001 note.

42 USC 12001.

42 USC 12002.